

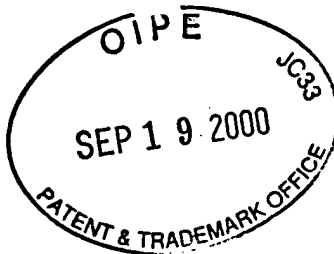
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The Commissioner of Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/240,619**  
**For: WATER PURIFIER DISPENSER CONTROL**  
**Filed: February 1, 1999**  
**Applicant: Conrad et al.**

On the filing of this application, the applicant claimed convention priority from Canadian Patent Application No. 2,253,689 filed on November 9, 1998. At this time, the applicant encloses a certified copy of the said Canadian patent application. Acknowledgement of the completion of the claim for convention priority by the filing of the certified copy of the Canadian application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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